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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Volker DIECKMANN

SERIAL NO.: 10/689,838

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FOR: CLAMPING PIECE OF SPRINGY  
SHEET MATERIAL

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EXAMINER: K. MITCHELL

AMENDMENT

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment  
Randolph Building  
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Alexandria, VA 22314

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 12, 2004, please amend the  
instant application as follows:

**Amendments to the Abstract** are set forth on page 2.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on  
page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.